

SUBJECT: NE FLORIDA INTERGROUP BUSINESS ZOOM MEETING MINUTES OF September 11, 2021

Chair called meeting to order at 9:03am with a moment of silence followed by the long version of the Serenity Prayer and the AA Responsibility Statement. Chair read the Ninth Step, Ninth Tradition and Ninth- Concept.

Chair- remembered the events of September 11 2001, and those who sacrificed for us, with a moment of silence.- All in person contributions will be given to the Jaba Club for use of their facility .

Housekeeping – In person participants signed- in on sheet. Zoom participants should continue to sign in with first name, last initial, position and voting/non-voting. Meeting was recorded for administrative purposes and will be deleted when the minutes are approved at the next business meeting. .

There were 18 voting members, and 11 non-voting participants.

Kevin G, IG Chair (non-voting)	Beth E, Sun Morn Palatka	Renee B, LoveNAAction
David M, Treatment, Central Group	Charles M, Archives, IGR I am Responsible	Rick D, From the Heart
Kathleen W, Corrections	Gene Mayden, Phoenix Mens	Sheila D, OP Step Sisters
Monique H, Social Events Chair	Hal B, Beaches Unity	Walter S, Clean & Free
Rita H, Treasurer	John C, Trout River	Ashley Reed, Visitor (non-voting)
Lon L, Parliamentarian (non-voting)	Linda G, Steering Committee D4 (non-voting)	Bill Houser, Visitor (non-voting)
Maggie R, Steering Committee	Lori W, New Beginnings	Dennis McLaughlin, Visitor (non-voting)
Mike M, IG Office (non-voting)	Mary D, This Too Shall Pass	Tony, Visitor (non-voting)
Regina A, Secretary (non-voting)	Melissa D, West Connect	Andrew M Zoom Host (non-voting)
Steve C, Corrections (non-voting)	Paul P, Salisbury Rd	

Secretary's Report – July Meeting Minutes were sent via email to be read prior to the meeting. Recording has been deleted. Minutes were approved by vote with one correction, to show John C. as voting.

Chair Report

Our Vision: To improve our service, support and participation to the Groups and Districts.

In August Chair participated in a District DCM zoom committee meeting. They postponed the NE Florida AA Service Fair until March 19, 2022. District 1 postponed its picnic and District 30 postponed its Big Book Index Workshop and after the District meeting changed its Group Inventory Workshop to zoom only.

The District boundary map was confirmed and will be forwarded to the Area with boundary description by road and water body.

The next DCM meeting will be on September 18

Treasurer's Report

Income:

Contributions Income	\$6,194.07
Retail Income	\$2,760.69
Special Events Income	<u>\$ 150.00</u>
Total Income	\$9,104.76
Minus Total Cost of Goods Sold	<u>\$1,693.08</u>
Gross Profit	\$7,411.68
Minus Expenses	<u>\$7,287.58</u>
Ordinary Income	\$ 124.10
Plus Other Income	<u>\$ 52.68</u>
Net Income	\$ 176.78

Checking/Savings	
1021 · Cash - Regions Bank	\$14,115.36
1024 · Cash in Drawer	\$95.51
Total Checking/Savings	\$14,210.87
1360 · Inventory	\$14,055.96
1400 · Prudent Reserve	
1476 · Regions Bank 5982- CD #001	\$10,175.37
1481 · Regions Bank 6794- CD #002	\$10,532.70
1486 · Regions Bank - CD #003	\$10,084.95
Total 1400 · Prudent Reserve	\$30,793.02

Intergroup Office

- Sales are small to medium. Had some big book sales to facilities, which is good. We will review the books to go on sale. The only ones that may not put on sale would be Big Book and 12&12. Sale is for November only.

- Have had some computer problems, and we're getting some estimates to either speed them up or fix them or possibly get new ones.
- Ashley is doing a great job. We are very lucky to have her.

Steering Committee

- Need to search for a new add a line editor beginning January 1. It is a paid position.
- We're thinking about a literature sale for the holidays, probably non-essential literature like Hazeldon, and maybe Grapevine, although now we've found that GSO is not as backed up as they were due to COVID, so we may be able to include essential literature as well.
- Today we will vote on the composition of the committee, which has been published in the add-a-line.
- The Accessibilities Chair position is vacant. If you are interested in the position or know someone who is interested in Accessibilities please have them contact the IG or Steering Committee Chair.
- Steering Committee is reviewing the maps on the back of the When and Where. Committee discussed how to make it more understandable. Discussed taking the intergroup areas meetings by geographic space, as a quadrant on the Jacksonville map. The East/West division will start in the north at 95 South, and it will connect with the St. Johns River, dividing Jax East and West. The North/South division will be I-10, from Middleburg to the center of the city. We're currently discussing whether the continuation to the beach would be JTB, Atlantic or Beach. All of the zip codes within this area are mapped within the 4 quadrants. This gives someone at least a general idea of the meeting location.

Steering Committee Motion

1. Motion to revise the Steering Committee Composition in Appendix K of the Bylaws – The motion was made by the Steering Committee in the July Business Meeting and posted in the August Add-a-line on pg.2. Motion passed vote 100%.

Currently reads:

Appendix K 4)

Steering Committee Members: The IG Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and one (1) representative from each of the seven Service Districts. Each Steering Committee member will have a voice and a vote at the meetings including the chair. The Steering Committee will elect its Steering Committee Chair from the voter membership of the Steering Committee

Appendix K 5)

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Change To:

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Steering Committee Members: The IG Chair, Vice-Chair, Treasurer, and one (1) representative from each of the seven Service Districts, **and in their absence one (1) Alternate-Representative from each of the seven districts**. Each Steering Committee member will have a voice and a vote at the meetings including the chair. The Steering Committee will elect its Steering Committee Chair from the voter membership of the Steering Committee

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- The Seven (7) Service District Representatives: 1, 3, 4, 6, 24, 25, and 30 **and in their absence, their Alternate Representative**.
2. Motion to add a Literature Committee to the list of Standing Committees (Appendix L) – This motion was made by the Steering Committee in the August Business Meeting, and is in the September Add a Line. It will be voted on at the October 2 Business Meeting.
- Literature: informs AA members, groups, and districts through displays or other suitable methods of all available conference approved literature, audio/visual material, or other special items.
 - Question was raised if this Committee- could be combined with the Grapevine committee. Response was that the combined committee was determined to be too much for one committee. .

New Business

None

Committee Reports:

Accessibilities - position is vacant.

Add A Line

Editor position is open for someone to apply. Please contact the Office if interested. Please be sure that anything going into the add-a-line goes to the add-a-line email, not others: nefladdaline@gmail.com

Archives

- Ben W.'s big book was auctioned off to benefit ALCO House. The AA members who purchased it plan to donate it to the Intergroup Archives. It will be on display at the IG office. An article on Ben W. appears in this month's Add-A-Line
- Old timer's Stories: Work is continuing as outlined last month.
- The National Archives Workshop was cancelled. We will plan to send someone next year.
- Our next meeting will be September 13th. It will be a zoom meeting at 6pm. Sign on info will be sent to committee members. Other interested parties can contact the Archives Chair at ggmoyer@aol.com

Corrections

Women - We continue with few Pen Pal letters coming in. We are developing meeting format folders for volunteers to carry in with them when we are able to take meetings into the jails again. Our next Corrections Committee meeting will be virtual on September 18 at 11 am. We will be discussing use of Traditions in jail meetings, a table for our group at the Fall Banquet, and subjects brought up by the members.

Men – we were contacted this week by the Sergeant of the jails programs, and we will be bringing a lot of literature this week, will see if that sparks more interested in the program. Looking forward to them re-opening.

CPC/PI - No Report

Finance

Finance Committee did not meet in August, financial docs were sent to the committee for any questions or suggestions, and there were none.

Grapevine

New book published "Prayer and Meditation". Available via the grapevine website right now, probably not available in stores yet. \$11.50

Area 14 Grapevine coordinator added that the new version of the preamble is available. It is \$2.10. Each group is autonomous, you do not need the new version, but it is available.

Phone Army – No Report

Special Events Committee

"One Day at a Time" theme for the Fall Intergroup Banquet, October 23rd at the Ramallah American Club on Parental Home Rd. 6pm for cake auction, 8pm dinner.

- Venmo payment option is on the flyer.
- In addition to Bono's Catering, we will have Enlightened Catering to provide a vegetarian option.
- Deborah C from St. Simons is our speaker.
- Looking for additional service volunteers and cakes. Cakes can be home-made or store- bought.
- Doors will be opened at 4pm for cake delivery. If you need special arrangements to drop it off earlier, reach out to Monique or John.
- There are 29 tables remaining to be sold, out of 50 tables.
- 220 tickets have been sold as of this morning.
- IGRs please go to their groups this week to encourage sales. If your group can buy a table, do it this week.
- John will send the financials to the IG Treasurer and the Steering Committee.
- Discussion came up about liability for contagious disease at special events. Walter stated that we do not need any kind of liability statement. He has spoken with multiple lawyers, and nobody can prove where they got COVID.
- Anyone else interested in donating tickets for scholarship fund can contact John or Intergroup. His number is in the flyer. He has been working with the sober living facilities to get them engaged as volunteers as well.
- Any questions, contact the Special Events Co-Chairs, or you can send email to *intergroupsocialevents@gmail.com*.

Treatment

August was an up and down month, as facilities were opening and closing, our purpose was on facilities. Beaches Recovery is having in-house meetings and zoom meetings. Lakeview and Gateway are entirely virtual. Similar in other facilities. Meetings are being cancelled pretty regularly if someone gets sick. We had some success with Wekiva Salisbury group.

Focus in September is on Bridging the Gap. There are a lot of people who end up back in treatment shortly after being released. There are some issues with notification for HIPPA purposes. Will be reaching out to the DCMs to lay out a program to improve the communication to the groups regarding Bridge the Gap. A lot of changes have been made during covid.

Website

The major concern is that groups are changing their zoom password or ids, and not letting the office know, or moving to hybrid and not letting the Office know.

Looking at an add-on to Word Press, which will make the events more interactive and more colorful. Cost is about \$225. If we decide to get it, we will bring it to the Vice Chairperson for approval.

Upcoming Events, Meetings

- Area 14 Virtual Service Fair, September 25, 10-2, via zoom.
- Group Inventory Workshop, October 16, 2-4pm, via zoom.
- Fall Banquet – October 23rd.
- District 24 Gratitude Dinner, November 13 at 6 pm in Crescent City in person
- Area Assembly will be virtual. Let GSRs know that a new Archivist will be elected at this assembly, and Beth E is standing for Archivist. Because of the cancellation of the National Archives workshop, the next one will be next year in Little Rock, then will be every other year again.
- SSAASA 6 (Tampa) – November 19th – 21st
- Service Fair 2021 (Losco Park) – moved to March 2022
- Personal Note:
 - Jack G is doing very well, starting to go to some meetings in person.

The meeting adjourned at 10:07am with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Business Meeting:

The next meeting will be on October 2, and will be In-Person as well as Zoom.

Saturday October 2, 9:00am – 10:30am at the Jaba Club

ZOOM ID: 8977 440 1312, PWD: nefl3128

There will be coffee and refreshments at 8:30am.